

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 06 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 07 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 06 Oct 2021 at 03:34 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a mainly good day Wednesday then more unsettled by evening and over the next few days, lower for rain detail.

Headline for Wednesday 06 Oct 2021: Mainly dry with sunny spells, cloudier later with some rain extending northeast in the evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 06 Oct 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
10%	<05%	<05%	10%	30%	70%

Forecast for Wednesday 06 Oct 2021

Weather: Some cloud over the northern ranges into the morning before dispersing but most areas seeing some good sunny spells from the outset and for much of the morning and early afternoon. High cloud thickening from west during the afternoon then thickening to bring some occasional rain to Skye late afternoon and extending northeast, with hill fog developing later.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% at first in north otherwise 90% during the day, falling 20% in the evening.

Visibility: Generally good away from cloud, but moderate or poor in the evening as the rain and drizzle develop.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	9/12 NW	5/7 SE	10/14 SE	16/21 SE	27/33 SE	33/41 SE	38/47 S
900	8/11 NW	4/6 SE	11/14 SE	14/19 SE	24/30 SE	29/37 SE	32/42 S
600	5/7 NW	2/4 SE	8/12 SE	10/15 SE	16/22 SE	18/26 SE	21/30 S
300	4/9 N	1/4 E	5/11 SE	2/11 SE	4/18 SE	4/18 SE	6/26 S
Glen	3/5 N	2/4 E	5/9 SE	6/12 SE	8/16 E	10/25 SE	14/32 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	2/-2	2/0	3/-0	5/0	4/-1	5/-1	6/0
900	2/-1	3/1	4/0	6/2	5/-0	6/0	7/2
600	5/3	5/4	7/4	8/5	8/4	8/4	9/5
300	6/4	7/6	10/8	10/10	9/8	9/8	11/10
Glen	8/7	9/9	12/11	12/12	12/10	11/9	13/11
Freezing Level*	1100m	1100m	1100m	1200m	2900m	3000m	3100m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Note sub-zero feels like temperatures at times on Munro's.

Forecast for Thursday 07 Oct 2021

Weather: Cloudy with rain, some heavy and prolonged, especially Skye and Lochalsh, but some drier periods too best around Ben Wyvis and the far north.

Maximum wind: South or southwesterly 35 gusts 50mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20%, with the main chance of being in the clear in the northeast towards Ben Wyvis.

Visibility: Often poor in rain, but good in sheltered areas in drier interludes. Extensive cloud 450-750m with lower patches in west but only patchy at this height in shelter in northeast with higher cloud allowing brighter spells.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 13 rising to Plus 16 Celsius, locally 18 in the northeast.

At 800m: Plus 5 rising to Plus 10 Celsius.

Freezing level: Well above the summits.